

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mrs. LINCOLN (for herself, Mr. ALLARD, and Mr. GRASSLEY):

S. 686. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a credit against tax for energy efficient appliances; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. TORRICELLI (for himself and Mr. CORZINE):

S. 687. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make higher education more affordable by providing a tax deduction for higher education expenses, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 688. A bill to amend title 49, United States Code, relating to the airport noise and access review program; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself and Mrs. CLINTON):

S. 689. A bill to convey certain Federal properties on Governors Island, New York; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. WELLSTONE:

S. 690. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to expand and improve coverage of mental health services under the medicare program; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. REID (for himself and Mr. ENSIGN):

S. 691. A bill to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to convey certain land in the Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit, Nevada, to the Secretary of the Interior, in trust for the Washoe Indian Tribe of Nevada and California; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. HELMS:

S. 692. A bill to issue a certificate of documentation for the vessel EAGLE; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself, Mr. BREAUX, and Mr. BURNS):

S. 693. A bill to amend the Social Security Act to provide additional safeguards for beneficiaries with representative payees under the Old-Age, Survivors, and Disability Insurance program or the Supplemental Security Income program; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LEAHY (for himself, Mr. BENNETT, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. DODD, Mr. COCHRAN, Mrs. LINCOLN, Mr. REID, and Mr. DOMENICI):

S. 694. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide that a deduction equal to fair market value shall be allowed for charitable contributions of literary, musical, artistic, or scholarly compositions created by the donor; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. DORGAN (for himself, Mr. BINGAMAN, and Mr. BYRD):

S. 695. A bill to provide parents, taxpayers, and educators with useful, understandable school report cards; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. BROWNBACK:

S. 696. A bill to prohibit the Federal Communications Commission from applying spectrum aggregation limits to spectrum assigned by auction after 2000; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. HATCH (for himself, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. HAGEL, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. CRAIG, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. CRAPO, Mrs. LINCOLN, Mr. BROWNBACK, Mr. TORRICELLI, Mr. WARNER, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. KERRY, Mr. SMITH of Oregon, Mr. DASCHLE, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. BREAUX, Mr. HUTCHINSON, Ms. MIKULSKI, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. CARPER, Mr. CLELAND, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. DORGAN, Mr. BIDEN, Mrs. CARNAHAN, Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. WELLSTONE, Mr. DAYTON, Mr. SARABANES, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. BAYH, and Mr. MILLER):

S. 697. A bill to modernize the financing of the railroad retirement system and to provide enhanced benefits to employees and beneficiaries; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. BOXER (for herself and Mr. REID):

S. 698. A bill to amend the Safe Drinking Water Act to designate chromium-6 as a contaminant, to establish a maximum contaminant level for chromium-6, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. JOHNSON (for himself and Mr. DASCHLE):

S. 699. A bill to provide for substantial reductions in the price of prescription drugs for medicare beneficiaries; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CAMPBELL (for himself, Mr. KOHL, and Mr. HATCH):

S. 700. A bill to establish a Federal interagency task force for the purpose of coordinating actions to prevent the outbreak of bovine spongiform encephalopathy (commonly known as "mad cow disease") and foot-and-mouth disease in the United States; read the first time.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. THOMPSON:

S. Con. Res. 31. Concurrent resolution commending Clear Channel Communications and the American Football Coaches Association for their dedication and efforts for protecting children by providing a vital means for locating the Nation's missing, kidnapped, and runaway children; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. DURBIN:

S. Con. Res. 32. A concurrent resolution honoring The American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals for its 135 years of service to the people of the United States and their animals; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 128

At the request of Mr. JOHNSON, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. TORRICELLI) was added as a cosponsor of S. 128, a bill to amend the Federal Deposit Insurance Act to require periodic cost of living adjustments to the maximum amount of deposit insurance available under that Act, and for other purposes.

S. 145

At the request of Mr. THURMOND, the name of the Senator from Ohio (Mr.

DEWINE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 145, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to increase to parity with other surviving spouses the basic annuity that is provided under the uniformed services Survivor Benefit Plan for surviving spouses who are at least 62 years of age, and for other purposes.

S. 170

At the request of Mr. REID, the name of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. LEAHY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 170, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to permit retired members of the Armed Forces who have a service-connected disability to receive both military retired pay by reason of their years of military service and disability compensation from the Department of Veterans Affairs for their disability.

At the request of Mr. HUTCHINSON, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. SMITH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 170, supra.

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, his name and the name of and the Senator from Missouri (Mr. BOND) were added as cosponsors of S. 170, supra.

S. 277

At the request of Mr. KENNEDY, the name of the Senator from Delaware (Mr. CARPER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 277, a bill to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to provide for an increase in the Federal minimum wage.

S. 288

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from Virginia (Mr. WARNER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 288, a bill to extend the moratorium enacted by the Internet Tax Freedom Act through 2006, and encourage States to simplify their sales and use taxes.

S. 316

At the request of Mr. MCCONNELL, the name of the Senator from South Carolina (Mr. THURMOND) was added as a cosponsor of S. 316, a bill to provide for teacher liability protection.

S. 351

At the request of Ms. COLLINS, the name of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. LEAHY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 351, a bill to amend the Solid Waste Disposal Act to reduce the quantity of mercury in the environment by limiting use of mercury fever thermometers and improving collection, recycling, and disposal of mercury, and for other purposes.

S. 381

At the request of Mr. ALLARD, the name of the Senator from Nebraska (Mr. HAGEL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 381, a bill to amend the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act, the Soldiers' and Sailors' Civil Relief Act of 1940, and title 10, United States Code, to maximize the access of uniformed services voters and recently separated uniformed services voters to the polls, to ensure that each vote cast